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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO:

Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE:

August 9, 2013

SUBJECT: Emergency Funding to Offset Federal Sequester Impacts on Elder Meal Sites

within the City

The purpose of this Letter to Commission (LTC) is to provide you with an update on the directive issued by the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee (FCWPC) at its July 25, 2013 meeting.

At this meeting, the Committee directed the Administration to provide interim funding to Little Havana Activities & Nutrition Centers and Jewish Community Services of South Florida to address the meal reductions created by sequester cuts. The Committee directed that the funds provided be limited to the actual food costs incurred. As such, the Committee directed that the meal allocation be \$3.00 for Little Havana Activities & Nutrition Centers and \$5.62 for Jewish Community Services (JCS). The JCS allocation was higher because it must provide kosher meals which have a higher cost.

On August 8, 2013, the Administration received an email from Little Havana Activities & Nutrition Centers that it would decline these funds as the actual cost of delivering the meals was not being addressed and the agency is unable to offset the unfunded gap. The Administration plans to meet with Little Havana Activities & Nutrition Centers and will provide an update at the August 21,2013 FCWPC meeting.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

C: Executive Staff Maria Ruiz, Director, Office of Community Services

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